

House Resolution 1186

By: Representatives Buckner of the 76th, Manning of the 32nd, Ashe of the 56th, Gardner of the 57th, Walker of the 107th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Remembering and honoring the life of Ms. Martha Talbot Eaves; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Ms. Martha Talbot Eaves was born in Atlanta on January 16, 1917, to William
3 Flournoy Helms and Maude Hauser Talbot; and

4 WHEREAS, a smart, talented, and determined lady, Ms. Eaves graduated from Commercial
5 and Girls High School in 1934, and in 1969 earned a degree in English literature from
6 Georgia State University while working full time and raising her three children as a single
7 mother; and

8 WHEREAS, Ms. Eaves dedicated the last 25 years of her life to advocating for Georgia's
9 seniors, serving on numerous councils, committees, and task forces, including serving as
10 chairperson of the Georgia Council on Aging, as a member of the Long-term Care Study
11 Commission and Senate Elder Abuse Task Force, and as a delegate for Georgia to the White
12 House Conference on Aging in 1995; and

13 WHEREAS, a proud liberal Democrat, Ms. Eaves never backed away from addressing the
14 problems facing our society, and she courageously spoke on behalf of the millions of seniors
15 without adequate health care; and

16 WHEREAS, her years of advocacy on behalf of senior citizens earned her the respect of
17 others of all political affiliations, and she was the recipient of several honors, including the
18 2003 Tom Murphy State Service Award for Human Service and Health Care, the 2004
19 National Committee to Preserve Social Security and Medicare Salute to Leaders in Aging
20 Award, and the 2005 Georgia Commission on Women Georgia Legacy - Older Women,
21 among many others; and

1 WHEREAS, Ms. Eaves always lived life to the fullest, and her family and friends will always
2 remember her brave, compassionate, and independent spirit; and

3 WHEREAS, Georgia lost a most estimable citizen on August 13, 2005, with the passing of
4 Ms. Martha Talbot Eaves.

5 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
6 the members of this body join together to express their deepest regret at the passing of Ms.
7 Martha Talbot Eaves and extend their most sincere condolences to her family and friends.

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
9 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Ms. Martha
10 Talbot Eaves.